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RUSSIA'S WAR FLEET HAS

LEFT VLADIVOSTOCK FOR

All the Czar's Ships at the North-

ern Station Now En Route to

Port Arthur.

TROUBLE AT CHEMULPO

Japanese Railway Has Declined to

Carry Russian Marines to

the Korean Capital.

JAPAN IS STILL WAITING

Doubt Expressed at Tokio of the

Reported Conciliatory Tenor

of Russia's Reply.

LONDON, Jan. 7.-The most sensational

feature of this morning's news concerning

the situation in the far East is the fact

that Russia is moving her warships at Port Arthur. Another feature is the fact that the Japanese owners of the Korean

railway have declined to carry Russian ma-

rines to Seoul. Aside from these two

features, there are two indications this

morning that nothing definite has developed

in the far Eastern crisis, and that nothing

is likely to develop until the end of the

week. The first of these indications, ac-

cording to the Tokio correspondent of the

Daily Telegraph, is that an urgency meet-

the Japanese Cabinet

SOUTHERN STRONGHOLD

#### PANAMA'S POLICE FORCE INTELLIGENT, CAPABLE, LOYAL AND ESTEEMED

Its Personnel Much Superior to the Make-Up of Either the Army or the Navy.

LITTLE WORK FOR IT TO DO

But When Action Is Necessary Its Members Know Well How to Crack Heads.

'ALCALDES ALL GRAFTERS

'And the Administration of Justice Therefore Is a Farce-Boot-Toe Punishment.

From the Journal's Special Commissioner. police force. In intelligence, capability and has infinitely more respect than it has for either of the others. This force is specimen of physical manhood, distributed the isthmus. It is commanded by Chief Arrange, who has his headquarters in this city and who directs its operation with ability. In Panama, Colon and other larger cities in the republic the force is sufficiently large to certainly preserve police order, from two to six men are stationed. No town is too small to boast a little building, over the entrance to which is a sign bearing the legend, "Inspection de Policia," and, while the force is essentially a noncombatant organization, it does its work so well that public order is most excellently

in so far as restriction is possible, to native ered a policeman of pure negro blood, but by order of the secretary: while the entire force is dark-skinned, the native element is far in the majority. Some | business is at a standstill. Puerta Plata is monly regarded as quite the most comfortable berth procurable under the isthmian

AN ORDERLY PEOPLE.

their beats, which they do in a lazy sort at Sousa. Commanding officers in the field of way, these policemen are seldom called of the peace are of infrequent occurrence. gun and steam launch at Sousa to see my It is, in fact, quite remarkable that among a instructions carried out until my return. people so generally benighted and backward in their civilization, there should be a | want guard. Do not think it necessary at state of public order more excellent than is present. Am all ready when necessary. to be found in any city of consequence in the they are limited to set-tos with the fists, and nobody can be seriously injured. Drunkenness is not looked upon as a public offense, unless the drunken man makes himself particularly obnoxious, for in this country drinking is the rule rather than the exception. Again, gambling houses, common immorality and places of ill-repute are never interfered with. This means, to be sure, that this police force has less work to do than a similar organization in the States would be called upon to perform, for here there is a very different and most generous construction placed upon what

constitutes breach of the peace. But allowing for the liberal view, the isthmus must be set down as a place where the law is publicly respected, and where the people generally are peaceably disposed and lawabiding. When disorder occurs, however, the police force has little difficulty in quelling it. None of the officers is permitted to carry a revolver-a policeman with a pisrevolution-his equipment being limited to a rubber coat for protection against the torrental rains, a whistle for use in summoning assistance in case of trouble and a ponderous lignum vitae mace.

The moment trouble breaks out the police blows his whistle and then mixes in the melee. That lignum vitae mace of his is a terrible weapon, and he uses it indiscriminately. Clubbing is the method resorted to upon all occasions for restoring order. When a policeman comes up with a crowd of street brawlers everybody about can expect to receive resounding whacks over the head from the mace. The greater the number of officers summoned by the whistle the more cracked heads there will be, and so dexterous have the policemen become in wielding these clubs that a crowd of disturbers of the peace will scatter the minute an officer comes in sight. Cracked heads are not relished by this populace, and the facility displayed by the police force in causing them has had much to do with creating for it universal respect and esteem.

Admirable as this force is in itself, however, the administration of justice is little less than a travesty. Its dispensation is Strip of Land Seven Miles Long under the immediate direction of thealcaldes of the respective cities and town, and a rather sorry lot of officials these have proved to be in the past. Colombia made it a rule to appoint these men, but never to pay them. The result was that there developed a gang of grafters that would have put St. Louis to shame.

The business of the alcalde, when he found his pay not forthcoming, was to turn his office to his personal account, and this the majority of them did with great success. Everybody knew that fines assessed against offenders were appropriated by the alcaldes due them for salary, and the same universal knowledge obtained with respect to the practice common among the alcaldes of accepting small sums of cash as full satisfaction for sentences of penal servitude, but nobody ever objected or attempted a reform.

INSTANCES OF POLICE JUSTICE. a mark on the native anatomy. The white BECHTEL MURDER CASE kind means that the alcalde and the police prefect will join hands to mulct him of from \$50 to \$100 in gold, assessed as a fine, but instantly appropriated by the two officials and converted to their own use. On the other hand, a native may offend a

white man with virtual impunity. Kaleisch-boss stevedore of the Panama Rallroad at Colon, a German who has been a world-rover and who is so broad that he can seize the biggest black by the nape of the neck and hurl him across the dockiministration of justice.

me time ago Kaleisch caught a native borer stealing part of a ship's cargo. ed the man, carried him off to the preferred his charge and was taken in custody. His trial amediately, the evidence against nclusive and he was sentenced s' imprisonment. Kaleisch felt UED ON PAGE 5, COL. 1.)



Greely Expedition Survivor, Whose Death Closes Adventurous Career.

# From the Journal's Special Commissioner. PANAMA, R. P., Dec. 22.—The most ad-FELT IN SANTO DOMINGO

Anarchy-Ridden Island to Be Amply Protected.

MARINE DETAIL LANDED

Commander Dillingham, of the Detroit, Reports Conditions and the Action Taken.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.-With a firm hand the Washington government from now on will protect American life and property in the Island of Santo Domingo. The following dispatch received at the Navy The personnel of this force is restricted, Department to-day from Commander Dillingham, commanding the Detroit, dated isthmians. Occasionally there is encount- at Puerto Plata Jan. 6, was made public

"In this vicinity anarchy prevails and members come from the southern depart- quiet at present. The Jiminez authorities ments of the Colombian federation, where are collecting duties and dues. Jiminez is a larger, sturdier and more resolute race of at Santiago. The revolution is not one of men is bred; but the \$60 (Colombian silver) | principle, but of factions. Will not allow paid as a monthly wage is sufficient to hold | interruption of commerce. Went to Sousa every member of the force in bonds of on the morning of Jan. 3 and returned to strongest allegiance to the new republic. Puerta Plata yesterday afternoon to see the The superior station the policemen occupy | Cherokee out of the port. Will coal here toin the various communities is another an- day and return to Sousa. The fighting at chor for their fealty. The work is com- Sousa Dec. 26, between Morales and Jimparatively light; their uniforms-blue, with | inez troops took place on United Fruit Comred trimmings, and white pith helmets-are pany's property. Without notice houses attractive, and they are looked up to with | were looted, the lives of United States citisuch respect and obeyed with such prompti- zens were absolutely disregarded, women tude that membership on the force is com- and children had to flee for safety, and property was destroyed. Have forbidden any fighting or any armed force of any party within certain limits necessary to Frederick started for Chicago. At that Except that they are required to patrol | protect the lives of United States citizens Am in signal communication with this force and can control situation. Consuls here The British steamer Pallas is here. Have joined the British captain in a note to the military commander here, holding him responsible for any disorder, and telling him hat we would take such prompt action as

we see fit in case of disorder. It is said that the administration has as yet adopted no permanent policy for the conduct of affairs in Santo Domingo beyond that which it always has pursued of | from any railroad. He served through both protecting American life and property. The statement is authorized that the conduct of only general instructions, is entirely indorsed and aproved by the government, and it is believed that his intelligent hand- i plains. Many times was he poised under the ling of the situation will have a powerful | dreaded scalping knife, and many times did influence toward the restoration of order It is realized by the administration that

the Dominican problem must be taken up

stop to what was described by a European ! ambassador to-night as "an insufferable nuisance which the civilized world looks to the United States to clean up.' A dispatch from Santo Domingo city, dated Jan. 3, says: "The tug Ana, the prop- erick sojourned with Greely in the far erty of an estate at San Isidro, was pre- north. From 1885 until he was retired on vented by the revolutionists from reaching | the full pay of a lieutenant, Sergeant Fredtection to United States Minister Powell. | time in Indianapolis, in the capacity of an ficials that if they could not protect the Ana he would. Commander Mertz, of the United States gunboat Newport, furnished an armed convoy for the Ana equipped with a field gun. The two boats were ready to leave when the government endeavored to prevent their departure. Minister Powell promptly directed that the boats should Mertz would accept all responsibility for their action. Later Minister Powell and Commander Mertz called on the President and told him that if his government could not protect American property the New-port could and would. The Ana carried \$20,000 in specie, which the rebels hoped to

OIL DEAL INVOLVING MILLION AND A QUARTER

and Three Wide Changes Ownership.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 6 .- One of the largest of oil deals was closed to-day when the Pure Oil Producing Company, of Pittsburg, purchased the holdings of D. A. Cameron & Sons, of Marietta, O., for a sum in the neighborhood of \$1,250,000. It is probable and applied to the liquidation of amounts | that the Pure Oil Company will at once arrange for the extension of its seaboard pipe mfles long and about three miles wide. It embraces about 5,000 acres of land, on which more than 200 oil wells are now producing in addition to six or eight gas wells, which were completed some time ago. There are also locations for about 200 more wells withthe limits of the present property, all within proven territory. The present daily average production of the wells is about

BEFORE GRAND JURY

Mrs. Bechtel Indicted for Murder and Five Others Charged with Being Accessories.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Jan. 6 .- The grand tury of Lehigh county to-day began contells a story truly illustrative of the native | will make its presentment to-morrow. Mrs. Catherine Bechtel, Miss Myrtha Bechtel, John Bechtel, Charles Bechtel, Alcise Eckstein and David Wiesenberg are each under two indictments as accessories before and after the fact in the purder of Miss Mabel Bechtel in this city is of court District

### SUFFERINGS IN POLAR LANDS FINALLY BRING DEATH TO FREDERICK

Member of Ill-Fated Greely Expedition Succumbs to Disease, Result of Privations.

UNCONSCIOUS FOR DAYS

One of the Most Romantic and Adventurous Careers in History of Army or Navy Closed.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY

It Is Expected Fellow-Survivors Will Attend Funeral of Their Companion in Suffering.

Julius R. Frederick, hero of the ill-fated Greely north pole expedition, died at his home, 104 Middle drive, Woodruff Place, at 2:30 e'clock yesterday afternoon. He had Rights of American Citizens in the to the many hardships and sufferings which stomach more or less. His death was caused by a cancerous growth which closed up completely his digestive organs.

Sergeant Frederick had one of the romantic and adventurous careers in the history of the army or navy, and for a good characters in Indianapolis. It was only a year or so ago that his heroism was recognized by the government. In company with three others of the Greely expedition he was raised to the rank of lieutenant and placed on the retired list of the army, with all the pay and allowances of such an

Immediately after the death of Sergeant Frederick yesterday afternoon the family telegraphed the news to General Greely, who commanded the north pole expedition that proved so ill fated; to Gen. Nelson A. Miles, under whom, as a cavalryman, Frederick served through several Indian wars; to Admiral Schley, who commanded the government naval expedition that so heroically rescued the Greely party, and to all the other surviving members of the Greely expedition. It is expected that some of the survivors will come to Indianapolis to attend the funeral of their old comrade.

LIFE FULL OF THRILLS. Sergeant Frederick, whose life was so filled with thrilling events, was born in Dayton, O., on July 21, 1852. For thirteen years he passed an uneventful life in the city of his birth and in the little town of St. Mary's in the same State. At that time his mother died, and the home was broken up. Without a dollar in his pockets, young early period of his life the excitementloving disposition was already manifest. When he reached Chicago the lad entered service as a messenger boy. After about six years in Chicago he joined the forces of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and for two years worked as brakeman, fireman and engineer. He was in the thick of the great strike of 1874, going out with the army of employes who were discontented with the wage scale. Notwithstanding that he was offered a life position with the company and other inducements, he refused to remain in

country for several years, he went to Cleve- | land and enlisted in the United States army. From there he was transferred to Jefferson barracks at St. Louis, and from this post stationed at Fort Ellis, Mo., about 500 miles the Sioux and Nez Perces wars, in both of which Col. Nelson A. Miles commanded the Commander Dillingham, while following white forces. This period of the sergeant's life is replete with blood-curdling experiences with the red men of the Western he escape in a most miraculous manner: many times did he encounter, hand to hand, and in general conflict, those wild, unprincipled warriors, only to escape in the end and disposed of in a way that will put a | with a whole body and clean record for

bravery and valiant service. It was following this bloody campaign that for three long, dreary frozen years, years in which all the hardships, both mental and physical were embodied, that Fred-The latter informed the government of | observer in the corps of the weather bureau. wars, that two exceptionally interesting incidents occurred showing the cunning and treachery of the Indian, which were later graphically described by Sergeant Frederick himself. One was the most important battle of the Sioux war, known as the battle of roceed and said that he and Commander | Muddy Creek, which was fought on May 7. The band of Sioux, which the army had been following for a long time, was part of the division commanded by Sitting Bull, which had annihilated General Custer and his brave band four years before. This fact, being known to all in the ranks of the whites, the thirst for revenge burned fiercely. Several times when there was knowl-(CONTINUED ON PAGE 2, COL. 3.)

# NINE PERSONS HURT IN WILD PLUNGE OF A CAR

Part of a Burlington Passenger Famous Singer Alleged to Have Have Been Seeking Him for Two Train Precipitated Into a Creek.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Jan. 6.-The Burlinglowing were injured: Paul C. Kleeman, of avenue since last Sunday. Custer, badly injured, unconscious; young son of W. C. Lilley, of Lead, hurt in the husband, against whom divorce proceedhead, not serious; W. H. Stebbins, Grand | ings were recently instituted, is at a private Rapids, Mich., cut on the head and slightly | sanitarium here under treatment for neubruised; J. C. McLemore, Lead, S. D., leg bruised; Rev. J. A. Sutton, Baptist minister. Deadwood, bruised on face and body; Miss Eva Wilson, Hill, S. D., badly injured in the back; Conductor Gotanat, shoulder dislocated; L. V. Seals, Billings, Mont., and A. J. Harrison, Rapid City, bruised. Relief trains were made up at Deadwood and Lead and one at Hill City and Custer, taking all the doctors and nurses avail-

TRIUMPH OF DREYFUS PREDICTED AT PARIS

PARIS, Jan. 6.-The recorder of the Court of Cassation says it will be Jan. 20 before orney Lichtenwalner ing the innocence of the former captain of be assigned to an artillery brigade at Nice. of Massachusetts during 1903.

# INDIANA GIRL'S ESCAPE FROM HER ABDUCTORS

Order for Its Closure Probably Her Mother Connived with Col- Startling Testimony at the Investiorado Fanatics to Keep Her Prisoner in Colorado.

CHANGE IN PLANS SAFE IN KNIGHTSTOWN CASUALTY

KNIGHTSTOWN, Ind., Jan. 6.-Postmaster J. Walter Lowry, of this city, and son, who is conducting the fire department Charles F. Edgerton, of Rushville, arrived investigation into the Iroquois Theater it is stated that the order will be rescinded | home at 6 o'clock this evening from Colorado Springs, Col., with the former's niece, Miss Jessie Troxell, after having spent a The violation charged against the Col- week in an effort to find and reclaim her possible. from a religious sect, which had attempted

> Miss Troxell had received many invitations to go to Colorado Springs and join Fulkerson to-day. All of them pleaded the "Williamsites." Her mother, who lives there, is a member of the sect,, and she had used her influence to induce her daugh- admitted failure to instruct employes in unavailing, letters were sent by William L. Morrow, the leader of the scect, urging her to come to Colorado at once, as her mother was sick and might not recover. Miss Troxell went at once, but her grandmother accompanied her, as they feared undue in-

When Miss Troxell arrived there she It is alleged by the building department | found her mother was not sick and that she had been drawn there by a ruse. She made west fronts on Wabash avenue, while in the forced her to send another telegram that she

south of the building is what amounts to | Her grandmother returned without her, a private alley, and it was here that the and after her arrival Miss Troxell's letuilding inspector discovered a technical ters, which had been coming daily, ceased. violation of a section of the building ordi- Her uncle, Mr. Lowry, and sweetheart, Mr. nance. This alley is seventy feet wide and | Edgerton, then left for Colorado Springs. is covered, being supported at its southern | With the aid of the mayor and chief of poextremity by a wall. In no other way does | lice, and after a pursuit lasting a night it differ from the ordinary alley, and it and a day, Miss Troxell was found, with runs through from Wabash avenue to the Morrow and her mother, who were enpublic alley on the east. The Coliseum deavoring to escape with her and hide her Miss Troxell is twenty-three years old, an active worker in the Friends' Church, of which she is a member, an accomplished any one of them is large enough to admit | musician, and is an assistant to Postmaster

# HEATH WITH SUBPOENA

Weeks and Papers Said to Be in Hands of the Marshal.

HIS TESTIMONY

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 6 .- The Deseret News to-day says that government 4 o'clock this afternoon crashed through | ments in this country this season and will | inspectors, including James H. Pennett, of Cheyenne, have been in the city for two the United States marshal. Mr. Heath's presence, it is stated, is required in the East in connection with some phase of the postoffice investigation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.-District Attorney Morgan H. Beach admitted to-night that a subpoena had been issued from this district for the appearance of Perry S. Heath in connection with the trial of postoffice cases of Machen and others which will begin in Justice Pritchard's court next Disastrous Result of the Explosion | Monday. The subpoena was issued last week and should have reached Salt Lake City about Monday. Mr. Beach has not been advised whether any attempts have been made to serve the subpoena or not. Mr. Beach said he also understood that a subpoena had been issued on behalf of the government for Mr. Heath's presence in connection with the trial of former representative Edmund H. Driggs, begun in Brooklyn

Fire Chief Killed, Others Hurt.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 6.-Chief Roe, of the | the lottery aimed. fire department, was killed and three firemen were badly injured by the collapse of a the bill cannot be repassed over his veto. corporations reports that 521 new corpora- burning wall at a fire to-day. Sterling At all events there will be little time for tions, with a total capital stock authorized | Brothers' wholesale shoe factory and ware- discussion over the bill, as Congress pro- outfits. Mrs. Bechtel for mur- artillery and repeats the report that he will of \$119.683,160, were formed under the laws house was burned. The loss is estimated poses to adjourn this week until March A detachment of 120 British naval pension-

#### ond is that the members of the British Cabinet have been notified to assemble on Saturday. The meeting of the Japanese Cabinet has almost certainly been called for the purpose of considering the reply of Russia to the last Japanese note and it is equally certain that the meeting of the British Cabinet will be for the purpose of discussing the attitude of Great

ELEVEN EXITS OF THE

gation of the Iroquois Play-

house Disaster.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.-By their own evi-

dence, given to-day before Monroe Fulker-

horror, the proprietors of the theater

showed that a worse condition of affairs

existed than had heretofore been thought

Will J. Davis, Harry J. Powers and

Thomas J. Noonan, active managers of the

Iroquois Theater, were examined by Mr.

suitable appliances for use against flames.

Their statements were corroborated by the

testimony of twenty employes of the

Noonan, who is the working manager of

the theater under direction of Davis and

Powers, admitted to-day that eleven of

became evident that almost one in three

of the people who attended the matinee

trifle over 31 per cent. The theater seated

1,606 people and in addition to these 236 had

been admitted after all seats were sold,

Manager Noonan declared that the two

palconies, including seats and people stand-

ing held 889 people. The total number of

fatalities in the fire is to date 591, of whom

three were killed on the first floor. This

Noonan's statement, 588 deaths out of

would make, according to Manager

Methods of the California placer miner

are being used by the police here in recov-

ering valuables lost in the disaster. Three

taken from the theater floor to-day and

were conveyed under police guard to the

basement of a store near by. A placer min-

Scores of Workers and \$4,300

of Booty Taken.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6 .- With persons busy in

offices all about him, David Freedman, a

eweler, with offices on the sixteenth story

of the Masonic Temple building, was held

up by two men to-day and robbed of \$4,300

A dagger was pointed at Freedman's heart

and he was threatened with instant death,

and open his safe. The men forced their

victim to open his safe as well as the show-

locked in a small closet used as a labora-

LOTTERY BILL VETOED.

Hopes of Many Cubans.

HAVANA, Jan. 6 .- President Palma to-

day signed his veto of the lottery bill, which,

as announced in these dispatches, he had

the reasons for his veto, holds that a lot-

tery is a lowering and corrupting device,

and that the government would be culpable

in taking the money of the people obtained

in such a scheme, no matter at what end

President Palma has been assured that

n currency, diamonds and watches.

tory. No one saw the marauders,

oig wagon loads of dirt and ashes were

making a total of 1,842 people in the theater,

lost their lives, the percentage being

his duty in case of fire.

of whom 591 were killed.

people in the two balconies.

DARING ROBBERY OF

STATISTICS

A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Tokio, dated last evening, says: "All the Russian warships recently at Viadivostock are reported to have sailed, probably for Port Arthur. Russia's reply has not yet been received by Japan. There is a strong, widespread tendency to doubt the reports of the alleged conciliatory character of the reply.'

Britain in the light of the Russian reply.

The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph announces that the Russian cruiser Gromoboi is passing the Korean

The Shimonseki, Japan, correspondent of THEATER WERE LOCKED the Daily Mail, telegraphing under date of Jan. 6, says that the Germans at Kiao-Chau are supplying the Russians with coal and gunners and that Admiral Alexieff's agents are offering large sums to induce American and British gunners to desert and go to Port Arthur.

The Daily Mail's correspondent at St. Petersburg says the news is confirmed that the second rifle regiment has already left Mukden for Korea to protect Russian in-The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Shanghal reports that Japan has learned that the Russian squadron at Bizerta has been instructed to shadow Japan's new cruisers and is in readiness to attack them in the event of war being declared.

JAPANESE ROAD WILL NOT CARRY RUSSIANS

SEOUL, Jan. 7 .- A Russian legation guard of thirty has been landed at Chemulpo, but the Japanese railway has refused to transignorance of any precautions taken to preport it to Seoul. It is reported preparations vent loss of life by fire at the theater. They have been made for the Emperor of Korea to find an asylum at the French legation in ter to go. Finally, all other efforts proving fighting fire and failure even to provide the event of serious trouble. It is expected that France and Germany will send marines here to guard their legations.

> theater, none of whom had ever been told NEWS OF A BATTLE IN KOREA IS EXPECTED

> PARIS, Jan. 7 .- The St. Petersburg corthe theater exits were locked and bolted. respondent of the Paris edition of the New From figures obtained by Noonan to-day | York Herald cables as follows: "There is the public is expecting news of a battle troops in Korea. A battalion has been sent from Vladivostock to prevent the Jap-

> The Revue Russe says that at the moment of going to press the following was received from an authoritative source in St. Petersbudg: "The probability of war is decreasing. At the present moment Russia cannot make a casus belli of a temporary landing of Japanese troops at a Korean port with the object of maintaining order. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald says: "There is no doubt that the Russian reply intimates in a friendly way that Russia cannot recede from her position in the far East. Russia cannot allow Japan to acquire territory in southern Korea, thus cutting communication between Vladivostock ing outfit, including sieves and gold pans, and Port Arthur.'

> was erected and City Custodian Cregier started a search for valuables among the JAPAN CAN PUT 300,000 Four bodies of the Iroquois fire victims MEN IN MANCHURIA still remain unidentified at the county

> ROME, Jan. 6 .- Mr. Ohyama, the Japanese minister, said to-day that in event of A CHICAGO JEWELER war his country was in a position to rapidly sia would find difficulty in sending more Held Up Almost in the Presence of than 200,000 men.

Minister Ohyama said that the naval forces of Japan were numerically superior to those of Russia and from a military standpoint were worth double. "If war breaks out," said the minister, "It will last for only a few weeks. I hope for a victory

TAFT TALKS WITH THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN

TOKIO, Jan. 6 .- Governor Taft, of the Philippine islands, and his wife have been granted an audience by the Emperor and Empress, lunching with them later. Subsequently an informal discussion took place, case containing the jewelry. He was then the Emperer expressing his satisfaction at the friendly relations which exist between America and Japan, which he hoped would continue. He wished the Americans to understand that Japan was striving earnestly and patiently to maintain peace.

President Palma Has Blasted the BRITISH TARS SAIL TO FIGHT FOR JAPAN

> LONDON, Jan. 6 .- A party of engineers board transports, sailed for Japan vesterday. They embarked at Liverpool on board the British steamer Lake Eric, bound for St. John, N. B., whence they will be transported by rail to the Pacific coast. Another draft of Scotch engineers left Govan quietly for Japan a week ago. The summons they received was so urgent that the men left without having provided themselves with

ers and naval reserve men and ten British



Russia Is Trying to Find Suitable Diplomacy to Meet the Eastern Question.

# CHICAGO COLISEUM IS SAFE FOR REPUBLICANS

Will at Once Be Rescinded by the Authorities.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6 .- Although the Coliseum, | Special to the Indianapolis Journal. in which the national Republican convention is to be held in June, was closed by order of Building Commissioner Williams to-day, within forty-eight hours, and that no change in convention plans will be necessary.

iseum is purely technical, and it was no sooner made than the matter was investi- to keep her against her will. gated by Graeme Stewart, national committeeman from Illinois, and Senator Hanna, who was in town. Their investigation over, both gentlemen expressed the opinion that there was no safer building in the world. Statements to this effect were made by Mr. Hanna and Mr. Stewart and their publication authorized.

Mr. Stewart said: "I feel great personal responsibility in the matter, and if the Collseum is not a safe building for the convention, then there is no such building in Senator Hanna said: "The convention will be held in Chicago, as planned. The Coliseum is one of the finest structures I fluence would be exerted to induce her to have ever seen in its provisions for safe- stay

face on at least one street and two public graphed her fiance, Mr. Edgerton, that she alleys or open space. The Coliseum to the | would be home, but leaders of the sect rear it opens on a public alley. To the | would not come. proper is provided with twelve large exits, in Denver. the main one twenty-five feet across. Three of these open on the private passage mentioned on the south of the building, and of the egress of ten horses abreast.

# MME. NORDICA ALARMED: INSPECTORS ARE AFTER WILL HASTEN TO EUROPE

Received Letters Threatening Her Life.

WENT THROUGH A BRIDGE HER HOME UNDER GUARD WANT

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.-Mme. Nordica has ton passenger train that left Deadwood at decided to forego further concert engage-

Deadwood, and nine persons were injured, The change in Mme. Nordica's plans is weeks in an endeavor to subpoena former several seriously. The locomotive and bag- said to be due to the alleged receipt by her | First Assistant Postmaster General Perry Mme. Nordica will spend the remainder of

FORTY-THREE LIVES LOST

of a Cruiser's Boilers.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Jan. 6.-Forty-three

persons have been killed by the explosion of the boilers on the British cruiser Wal-The Wallaroo is a third-class cruiser of 2.257 tons displacement used for Australian | to-day. trade protection. She formerly was named

New Corporations Formed. BOSTON, Jan. 6.-The commissioner of